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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to make assessment of condition of primary schools buildings in view of the finding of a survey conducted by National University of Educational Planning and Administration (NUEPA) as reported in Dainik Jagaran dated April 37, 2007;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the main finding of the surey;

(c) whether standard of education and number of children enrolled in schools has decreased in the country due to shortage of infrastructural facilities like pucca school buildings, teachers, text books etc.

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard;

(e) the names of States which have least percentage of pucca buildings for upper primary schools;

(f) whether according to NUEPA survey, more than half of primary schools are running without head-master, and (g) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A FATMI)

(a) to (g) The report in Dainik Jagaran dated April 17, 2007 is based on District Report Cards 2005-06 released by National University of Educational Planning and Administration (NUEPA), based upon the collection, compilation and analysis of DISE data of 2005-06. The details of the District Report Cards can be seen on website www.dpepmis.org.The DISE data shows a steady improvement in school infrastructure at the primary and upper primary level of education. The total number of schools has risen from 931471 in 2003-04 to 1124033 in 2005-06, and the student-classroom ratio has improved from 42:1 in 2003-04 to 39:1 in 2005-06. The total number of teachers has increased from 3667637 in 2003-04 to 4690176 in 2005-06, whereby the Pupil Teacher Ratio has improved to 36:1 for elementary education. The Gross Enrolment Ratio for primary level has grown from 89 in 2003-04 to 103.77 in 2005-06.